



## IAAF WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

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Qualification System and Entry Standards (as approved by IAAF Council in April and November 2014)

### QUALIFICATION PRINCIPLES:

- **Individual Athletes can qualify in one of four ways:**
  1. Automatically by achieving the Entry Standard within the qualification period
  2. Based on the finishing position at designated competitions
  3. By Wild Card (Defending Champion or Diamond League / Hammer Throw Challenge Winner)
  4. As a result of being one of the best ranked athletes at the end of the qualification period (to fill the remaining places in order to reach the target number of athletes by event established by the IAAF). This does not apply to the 5000m, 10,000m, Marathons and Race Walks.
- **Relay Teams can qualify in one of two ways:**
  1. Automatically as being one of the first eight placed teams at the IAAF World Relays held in the year preceding the IAAF World Championships
  2. As a result of being one of the best ranked teams at the end of the qualification period (to fill the remaining places in order to reach the target number of teams by event established by the IAAF).
- **Unqualified athletes** (including host country) can participate subject to certain conditions.

### TARGET NUMBER OF ATHLETES / TEAMS BY EVENT:

| Events   | Target Number   |
|--|---|
| 100m ( <i>after Preliminary Round for unqualified athletes</i> ) | 56  |
| 200m   | 56  |
| 400m, 800m   | 48  |
| 1500m, 3000mSC   | 45  |
| 100mH, 110mH, 400mH  | 40  |
| Field Events, Combined Events                                    | 32  |
| Relays   | 16  |
| 5000m, 10,000m, Marathon, Race Walks                             | Entries administered by Entry Standard only – no invitation by rankings |

## ENTRY STANDARDS:

| Women                           | Event          | Men                             |
|---------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 11.33                           | 100m           | 10.16                           |
| 23.20                           | 200m           | 20.50                           |
| 52.00                           | 400m           | 45.50                           |
| 2:01.00                         | 800m           | 1:46.00                         |
| 4:06.50 (4:25.20)               | 1500m (Mile)   | 3:36.20 (3:53.30)               |
| 15:20.00                        | 5000m          | 13:23.00                        |
| 32:00.00                        | 10,000m        | 27:45.00                        |
| 2:44:00                         | Marathon       | 2:18:00                         |
| 9:44.00                         | 3000m SC       | 8:28.00                         |
| 13.00                           | 100m H         | 13.47                           |
| 56.20                           | 400m H         | 49.50                           |
| 1.94                            | High Jump      | 2.28                            |
| 4.50                            | Pole Vault     | 5.65                            |
| 6.70                            | Long Jump      | 8.10                            |
| 14.20                           | Triple Jump    | 16.90                           |
| 17.75                           | Shot Put       | 20.45                           |
| 61.00                           | Discus Throw   | 65.00                           |
| 70.00                           | Hammer throw   | 76.00                           |
| 61.00                           | Javelin Throw  | 82.00                           |
| 6075                            | Heptathlon     |                                 |
|                                 | Decathlon      | 8075                            |
| 1:36:00                         | 20km Race Walk | 1:25:00                         |
|                                 | 50km Race Walk | 4:06:00                         |
| Top 8 at IWR + 8 from Top Lists | 4x100m         | Top 8 at IWR + 8 from Top Lists |
| Top 8 at IWR + 8 from Top Lists | 4x400m         | Top 8 at IWR + 8 from Top Lists |

## CONDITIONS FOR THE VALIDITY OF PERFORMANCES:

- **Qualification Period**
  - For the 10,000m, Marathon, Race Walks, Relays and Combined Events: from 1 January 2014 to 10 August 2015 (closing date for the Final Entries)
  - For all other events: from 1 October 2014 to 10 August 2015 (closing date for the Final Entries)
- Performances must be achieved during competitions **organised or authorised by the IAAF, its Area Associations or its Member Federations** (for Race Walks and Marathons see hereunder).
- Performances must be achieved during an official competition organised in **conformity with IAAF Rules**.
- Performances achieved in **mixed competitions in track events** will not be accepted. Exceptionally, in accordance with IAAF Rule 147, performances achieved in events of

5000m and 10,000m may be accepted in circumstances where there were insufficient athletes of one or both genders competing to justify the conduct of separate races and there was no pacing or assistance given by an athlete(s) of one gender to an athlete(s) of the other gender.

- **Wind-assisted performances** shall not be accepted.
- **Hand-timed performances** in 100m, 200m, 400m, 800m, 110m/100m Hurdles, 400m Hurdles and 4x100m relay shall not be accepted.
- **Indoor performances** for all field events and for races of 200m and longer, shall be accepted.
- For the running events of 200m and longer, performances achieved on **oversized tracks** shall not be accepted.
- **Marathons**
  - a) Marathon races conducted at competitions held under IAAF Rule 1.1 a), b), c), f) and g) will not necessarily be listed, however the results will be valid for the purpose of entry standards.
  - b) For all other Marathon races, only performances achieved on courses that respect the following criteria are valid towards the achievement of the Entry Standards:
    - the course is (or will be) measured prior to the race by an IAAF/AIMS Grade “A” or “B” International Road Race Course Measurer
    - the measurement certificate must have been established no more than 5 years before the date of the race;
    - the overall decrease in elevation between the start and finish shall not exceed 1:1000, i.e. 1m per km.The list of marathon courses that meet the above criteria can be found on the IAAF website. It is the responsibility of Member Federations and Organisers to make sure that a proper measurement is conducted by an IAAF/AIMS approved Grade A or B International Measurer and that the measurement report is sent to the relevant Area Measurement Administrator for the certificate to be issued, **before the race is conducted.**
- **Race Walk Events**
  - a) Performances achieved at Race Walk Events staged at International Competitions defined under IAAF Rule 1.1 (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) or (j) are valid towards the achievement of the Entry Standards providing the following conditions (where applicable) are respected:
    - the course is (or will be) measured by an IAAF/AIMS Grade “A” or “B” International Road Race Course Measurer;
    - a minimum of three IAAF or Area International Race Walking Judges are on duty.
  - b) Performances achieved at International Competitions defined under IAAF Rule 1.1 (i), or at National Competitions, are valid towards the achievement of the Entry Standards ONLY if the Member Federation concerned submits a specific application to the IAAF. The application letter, indicating the date, venue and programme of events of the Competition, must confirm that the above conditions will be respected.

The 2014 list of current qualifying race walk competitions can be found on the IAAF website. Member Federations who want their national permit competitions to be

added to the list for 2014 or 2015, and qualify for the World Championships, must make sure that a proper measurement is conducted by an IAAF/AIMS approved Grade A or B International Measurer and that minimum three IAAF or Area International Race Walking Judges are on duty. This information must be provided to the IAAF by submitting the application form provided, **before the race is conducted**.

c) Track performances (20,000m or 50,000m) shall be accepted.

- **Relays**

For the purpose of ranking in the qualification period, the results of relay races shall be valid only on condition that they are part of a competition staged in compliance with IAAF Rules and that at least two different international teams, representing at least two countries, compete in the race.

### **QUALIFICATION BASED ON FINISHING POSITION AT DESIGNATED COMPETITIONS:**

- **Area Champions** (does not apply for relays and marathon)

- The Area Champion (in each individual event to be contested at the World Championships) automatically qualifies for the World Championships, irrespective of whether his performance has reached the Entry Standard.
- The Area Champion shall be the one who has achieved the title either in 2014 or 2015. If an Area does not have Area Championships in that period, then the Area may organise an alternate event to select the Area Champion.
- The Member Federation of the Area Champion will have the ultimate authority to enter the athlete or not, based on its own domestic standard or qualification system.
- If the Member Federation of the Area Champion enters the athlete, he will be considered as having achieved the Entry Standard.
- If the Area Champion, for whatever reason, is not entered, his quota will not be delegated to the second placed athlete and the normal entry rules and conditions apply.
- For those Area Championships that do not have certain events, the Area Associations can organise alternate Area specific event Championships with conditions conforming to Area Championships Regulations.
- For an Area having “restricted” Area Championships (where the participation is not open to all athletes), the Area Association may specify an existing competition of a suitable standard for the purpose of identifying the Area Champion. In such cases, it is necessary that all Member Federations within the Area be invited to compete in this Competition.

- **10,000m**

For the 10,000m, the top 15 athletes finishing in the senior Men's and Women's races at the IAAF World Cross Country Championships Guiyang 2015 shall be considered as having achieved the Entry Standard.

- **Marathon**

The top 10 finishers at the IAAF Gold Label Marathons (in 2014 and in 2015) held within the qualification period will also be considered as having achieved the Entry Standard

(the list of the Gold Label Marathons for 2014 and 2015 is published on the IAAF Website).

- **Race Walks**

a) For the 20km Race Walk, the top three in the 2014 Men's and Women's IAAF World Race Walking Challenge shall be considered as having achieved the Entry Standard.

b) For the 50km Race Walk, the top three in the 2014 IAAF World Race Walking Cup shall be considered as having achieved the Entry Standard.

- **Combined Events**

For the Combined Events, the top three in the 2014 Men's and Women's IAAF Combined Events Challenge shall be considered as having achieved the Entry Standard.

- **Relays**

The following Relay Teams obtained automatic qualification by being one of the first eight placed teams at the 2014 IAAF World Relays in The Bahamas.

| 4x100m Men | 4x400m Men | 4x100m Women | 4x400m Women |
|------------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| BRA        | BAH        | BRA          | BRA          |
| CAN        | BRA        | FRA          | FRA          |
| GBR        | CUB        | GBR          | GBR          |
| GER        | GBR        | GER          | ITA          |
| JAM        | JAM        | JAM          | JAM          |
| JPN        | TTO        | NGR          | NGR          |
| TTO        | USA        | TTO          | POL          |
| UKR        | VEN        | USA          | USA          |